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## BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM

May 4, 1951

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES, BY CITIES  
(Based on Dollar Amounts)

Federal Reserve District and city	Percentage change from corresponding period a year ago 1/						
	Jan.- Feb.	Month of Mar.	Mar. 31	Apr. 7	Apr. 14	Apr. 21	Apr. 28
UNITED STATES	+25	+11	-14	-9	+13	+ 1	+ 3
Boston District							
New Haven Conn.	+20	+ 6	-22	-16	+ 9	- 2	+ 3
Boston Mass.	+21	+ 6	-16	-25	+16	+28	+10
Lowell-Lawrence "	+22	+ 2	-20	-14	+ 4	- 3	+ 2
Springfield "	+14	+10	-25	-33	+46	+ 2	-16
Providence R.I.	+24	+13	-20	-23	+18	+ 3	+10
	+27	+11	-23	-14	+ 9	- 3	+ 3
New York District							
Newark N.J.	+25	+10	-16	- 7	+20	r+ 1	+ 5
Buffalo N.Y.	+29	+11	-17	- 6	+29	+ 7	+ 1
New York "	+20	+16	-10	-11	+16	r+ 3	+ 7
Rochester "	+24	+ 6	-16	- 6	+19	r 0	+ 5
Syracuse "	+23	+15	-18	-11	+21	r+ 4	+ 5
	+25	+14	-16	- 4	+32	- 2	+ 3
Philadelphia District							
Philadelphia Pa.	+25	+12	-19	-11	+23	- 1	+ 5
Cleveland District							
Akron Ohio	+33	+12	-18	-10	+15	+ 6	+ 5
Cincinnati "	+40	+12	-1	-1	0	+ 6	+ 4
Cleveland "	+21	+ 7	-26	-17	+ 6	+ 3	+ 4
Columbus "	+32	+13	-12	-10	+21	+ 4	+ 9
Toledo "	+16	+11	-28	-16	+30	+32	+ 4
Erie Pa.	+34	+18	- 8	- 7	+20	+ 7	+17
Pittsburgh "	+34	+15	-18	- 2	+31	+12	+ 5
	+35	+ 7	-21	-10	+11	+ 2	0
Richmond District							
Washington D.C.	+21	+13	-27	-10	+13	r-11	+ 1
Baltimore Md.	+21	+10	-27	-11	+31	-12	+ 3
	+20	+ 9	-26	- 2	- 4	- 5	+ 4
Atlanta District							
Birmingham Ala.	+17	+17	- 8	-20	+ 5	r+ 4	+ 2
Miami Fla.	+22	+ 8	-29	-26	- 2	+17	+ 8
Atlanta Ga.	+24	+11	- 8	- 1	+17	r+ 3	+14
New Orleans La.	+25	+27	+18	-32	- 8	r+19	- 6
Nashville Tenn.	+ 6	+ 3	-23	- 7	+ 9	-15	0
	+11	+ 7	-25	-28	+ 2	+10	+ 2
Chicago District							
Chicago Ill.	+28	+13	- 8	+ 1	+17	r+ 1	- 1
Indianapolis Ind.	+23	+ 9	-12	- 3	+13	- 4	-
Detroit Mich.	+29	+11	-16	-11	+22	- 2	+ 1
Milwaukee Wis.	+32	+21	- 2	+ 8	+22	+ 6	- 7
	+23	+11	- 4	+ 9	+21	+ 3	+ 2

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	Jan.- Feb.	Month of Mar.	Mar. 31	Apr. 7	Apr. 14	Apr. 21	Apr. 28	
<u>St. Louis District</u>								
Little Rock	Ark.	+21 +18	+ 6 + 1	-21 -29	-16 -24	r+ 5 0	r- 1 -1	+ 3 + 4
Louisville	Ky.	+23	+10	-22	-14	+ 3	- 3	0
St. Louis Area	Mo.	+21	+ 2	-22	-15	+ 2	0	+ 2
Memphis	Tenn.	+18	+ 8	-19	-26	+11	- 2	+ 8
<u>Minneapolis District</u>								
Minneapolis	Minn.	+25 +20	+ 3 + 1	-13 -12	- 9 - 3	+19 +20	- 7 - 9	0 - 1
St. Paul	"	+16	- 1	-17	-19	+17	- 4	0
Duluth-Superior	"& Wis.	+22	+ 7	0	-12	+30	- 7	+17
<u>Kansas City District</u>								
Denver	Colo.	+26 +27	+13 +11	- 6 -11	- 8 -12	+ 4 + 4	r+ 3 - 1	+ 4 + 3
Wichita	Kans.	+42	+31	+12	- 1	+16	+16	+32
Kansas City	Mo.	+25	+17	- 8	- 7	+ 6	+ 3	+ 2
St. Joseph	"	+32	+12	-18	*	+ 7	- 8	+ 5
Oklahoma City	Okla.	+13	+ 3	-14	-22	+ 3	- 6	- 1
Tulsa	"	+25	+10	- 1	+ 7	- 7	0	+ 4
<u>Dallas District</u>								
Dallas	Tex.	+19 +20	+13 +11	-15 -13	- 7 -14	+ 4 + 4	+ 4 + 5	r+10 + 3
El Paso	"	+16	+ 4	-13	-19	+10	+ 6	+ 2
Fort Worth	"	+16	+ 9	-17	-23	- 3	r+ 4	+11
Houston	"	+27	+29	- 7	- 6	+19	+ 2	+35
San Antonio	"	+13	+ 4	-29	+30	+15	+ 1	- 7
<u>San Francisco District</u>								
Los Angeles Area	Calif.	+27 +23	+11 + 9	-10 -11	-11 -14	+ 9 + 4	+ 2 - 1	- 1 - 5
Oakland	"	+21	+15	-10	-18	+ 6	- 1	- 1
San Francisco	"	+33	+12	-14	-18	+12	- 5	+ 3
Portland	Ore.	+36	+ 3	- 8	0	+15	+ 8	- 5
Salt Lake City	Utah	+32	+18	- 3	-11	+16	+19	+ 7
Seattle	Wash.	+40	+15	- 2	-13	+18	- 9	+ 5

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\* Data not available.

1/ During March and April changes from a year ago reflect in part the fact that last year Easter was on April 9 while this year it was on March 25. For this reason it is estimated that in comparison with last year allowance should be made for an increase in sales of about 4 per cent for the month of March as a whole and for a corresponding decrease for the month of April as a whole.